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SUBJECT: SOVIET INTEREST IN OPEC PRICE DECISION

1. SEVERAL LOCAL PAPERS HAVE CARRIED STORIES LATELY CONCLUDING THAT USSR HAS BEEN HOLDING BACK ON NEW OIL DELIVERY CONTRACTS WITH OTHER CEMA COUNTRIES PENDING OUTCOME OF OPEC MEETING IN DOHA. AN EXAMPLE CITED IS CONTRACT FOR 1977 DELIVERIES TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA WHICH WAS TO HAVE BEEN CONCLUDED DEC. 9. INSTEAD OF CONTRACT, SOVIETS REPORTEDLY SIGNED GENERAL PROTOCOL CALLING FOR OIL DELIVERIES IN FIRST QUARTER 1977, BUT LEAVING PRICE OPEN.

2. IN RESPONSE TO EARLIER PRESS REPORTS ALLEGING SOVIET PRESSURES ON OPEC, WE QUERIED SECRETARIAT OFFICIAL. HE DENIED THAT SOVIETS HAD MADE ANY "REPRESENTATIONS" REGARDING OIL PRICES, BUT ACKNOWLEDGED THAT SOVIETS WERE IN CONTACT WITH

OPEC," AS WERE NUMBER OF OTHER GOVERNMENTS". BUCHANAN

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